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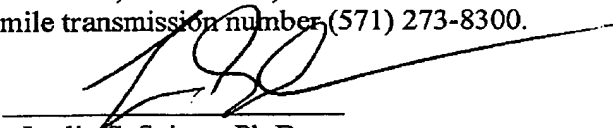
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Sir:

In response to the December 21, 2005 Advisory Action, in which the Examiner refused to enter the proposed claim amendments in Applicant's December 9, 2005 Response to Final Office Action, Applicants hereby expressly withdraw the previously proposed claim amendments and submit the following amendments and remarks for entry of record instead in the above-identified patent application.

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